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SUBJECT: MBFR: DATA ISSUES: SPC MEETING JUNE 5

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1. AT UNE 5 SPC MEETING, U.S. REP (MOORE) PROPOSED EXPANDING THE SPC MANDATE TO WG TO INCLUDE SECURITY IMPLICATIONS OF RELEASING TANK DATA

PER PARA 2, REFTEL, AND MADE THE POINTS IN PARA 1, REFTEL.

2. NETHERLANDS REP (MEESMAN) SUGPORTED THIS EXPANISION OF MANDATE TO $_{\rm WG}$

AND SAID HIS AUTHORITIES AGREED THAT AN SPC DEBATE ON RESPONSES TO EASTERN DATA CHALLENGES WOULD BE PREMATURE.

3. FRG REP (HOYNCK) SAID HE DOUBTED NEED AT THIS TIME TO EXPAND WG MANDATE TO INCLUDE TANKS, AND SAID HE THOUGHT SPC SECRET

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SHOULD FIRST HAVE RESULTS OF PRESENT MANDATE. HE SAID HE HAD NO INSUTRCTIONS ON UK PAPER, BUT AGREED WITH U.S. THAT SPC DEBATE WOULD BE PREMATURE.

- 4. BELGIAN REP (BURNY) SAID HE ALSO HAD DOUBTS ABOUT EXPANDING MANDATE.
- 5. CANADIAN REP (BARLEMEN) THOUGHT SPC COULD AWAIT RESULTS OF PRESENT WG MANDATE BEFORE EXPANDING IT. HE ADDED THAT HIS AUTHORITIES WOULD NOT WANT SPC TO WORK ON HYVTHETICAL NEGOTIATING CASES.
- 6. UK REP (BAILES) WELCOMED U.S. PROPOSAL TO EXPAND WG MANDATE TO INCLUDE TANKS. RE FRG AND BELGIAN VIEWS, SHE REITERATED UK VIEW THAT TANKS WOULD BE AMONG FIRST EASTERN DATA CHALLENGES. SHE HOPED U.S. COULD RECONSIDER ITS WISH, EXPRRESSED IN THE PRESENT MANDATE, THAT THE WG LOOK AT ALLIED DATA ON ALLIED FORCES FIRST, SINCE THE EAST IS MOST LIKELY TO CHALLENGE ALLIED ESTIMATES OF EASTERN FIGURES, AND PARTICULARLY ALLIED ESTIMATES OF EASTERN TANK FIGURES. PERHAPS MANDATE COULD BE REVISED, NOT AS U.S. HAD PROPOSED, BUT BY CHANGING END OF FIRST SENTENCE IN MANDATE TO READ"... BEGINNING WITH NATO RELEASE OF NATO DATA AND TANK DATA". SHE ALSO HPOED ALLIES WOULD NOT TAKE TO LITERALLY THE WORDING OF PRESENT MANDATE THAT WG EXAMINE "SECURITY IMPLICATIONS" OF DATA EXCHANGE. U.S. REP POINTED UT THERE HAD BEEN NO CHANGE IN U.S. POSITION THAT WG SHOULD START WITH NATO RELEASE OF NATO DATA, AND SHOULD LIMIT ITS WORK TO REVIEW OF SECURITY IMPLICATIONS.
- 7. FRG REP SAID HE WISHED TO STRESS NEED FOR ANY DATA DISCUSSIONS WITH EAST TO CONCENTRATE ON MANPOWER, AND NOT ON TANKS.
- 8. ACTING CHAIRMAN OF MBFR WORKING GROUP (SMITH) ESTIMATED WG WG WOULD TAKE ABOUT THREE WEEKS TO COMPLETE WORK ON ITS PRESENT MANDATE.
- 9. SPC RETURNS TO DATA ISSUES JUNE 9. BRUCE

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